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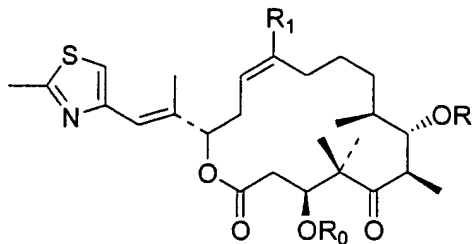
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments in the continuation application submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) herewith:

In the claims:

Please add claim 59:

59. A compound having the structure:



wherein R₁ is hydrogen or methyl, and R₀ and R' are each hydrogen.